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SUBJECT: SECRETARY'S MEETING WITH MOLINA

1. SECRETARY MET WITH FOREIGN MINISTER MOLINA AFTERNOON JULY 8. PURPOSE OF MOLINA'S CALL WAS TO EXPRESS APPRECIATION FOR THE SECRETARY'S EFFORTS TO HELP EASE TENSIONS AND TO REPORT ON THE COURSE OF THE NEGOTIATIONS.

2. MOLINA SAID HE THOUGHT THE PRESENT ROUND OF NEGOTIATIONS HAD RESULTED IN A "SMALL STEP FORWARD," BUT THE TWO SIDES WERE STILL FAR APART. GUATEMALA HAD TABLED  
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A TERRITORIAL PROPOSAL AND NEITHER THE BRITISH NOR THE BELIZEANS HAD REJECTED IT. THE SECRETARY COMMENTED THAT ROWLANDS HAD REITERATED THAT THE MONKEY RIVER WAS UNACCEPTABLE TO THE BRITISH. MOLINA REPLIED THAT GUATEMALA WAS NOT HAPPY WITH THE MOHO RIVER OFFER EITHER, BUT HE WAS FAR FROM CATEGORICAL IN HIS COMMENTS AND DID NOT INDICATE THAT THE OFFER WAS BEING REJECTED. HE ACKNOWLEDGED

THAT ALL SIDES WOULD HAVE TO COMPROMISE, AND ADDED  
GUATEMALA MUST PREPARE PUBLIC OPINION FOR A TERRITORIAL  
COMPROMISE.

3. MOLINA WAS INFORMED OF THE SUBSTANCE OF UNDER SECRETARY  
HABIB'S CONVERSATION EARLIER IN THE DAY (SEPTTEL) WITH

PREMIER PRICE. MOLINA EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR OUR  
EFFORTS TO CONVEY TO PRICE OUR SENSE THAT NOW WAS NOT THE  
TIME FOR INTERNATIONALIZING THE BELIZE ISSUE FURTHER.

4. AT THE END OF THE MEETING MOLINA REITERATED HIS  
GRATITUDE AND STATED THAT HE REMAINED "CAUTIOUSLY  
OPTIMISTIC" ABOUT THE COURSE OF THE NEGOTIATIONS. VANCE

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